(b) No, Sir.

Regional Cancer Research Centre in Madhya Pradesh

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825. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any regional Cancer Research Centre is functioning in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if not, whether any centre is likely to be established there; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K.THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a)Yes, Sir. There is a Regional RegionalCancer Research and Treatment Centre, namely, Cancer Hospital and Research Institute, Gwalior functioning in Madhya Pradesh.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Use of Lithotripter Machine in Delhi Hospitals

826. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Institute of Medical Sciences and Lok Nayak Jaiprakash Narain Hospital, New Delhi have recently purchased Lithotripter machines;

(b) if so, the price of each machine;

(c) if so, the price of each machine;

(c) whether the machine at AIIMS is not being utilised fully on account of shortage of trained staff; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI) D.K.THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b). Lithotripter machines have been purchased by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences and Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narain Hospital, New Delhi at a cost of about Rs. 1.82 crores and about Rs 2.36 crores respectively.

(c) and (d). The AIIMS have reported that the machine has been in regular use for Extracorporeal shock Wave Lithotripsy (ESWL) for renal and ureteric stone patients. The equipment is fully functional and is under the care of experts of the Department of Urology.

Air Strips in Madhya Pradesh

827. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has sent proposals for the construction of air strip at different places in the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Air Taxi Service in Madhya Pradesh

828. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether any air taxi service is being